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but the disease is being constantly reported as epidemic in the villages further back in the interior.

There is little or no communication between Progreso and the interior villages. The passengers from here are as a rule composed of the better class of people, people wealthy enough to travel about for pleasure. Like others of that class they are generally healthy, clean, and take all precautions to prevent sickness, and keep out of quarantine.

Respectfully,

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The SURGEON-GENERAL,

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Report from Tampico—Mortality statistics and clearance of vessels.

TAMPICO, MEXICO, *May 29, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended May 26. The following is a list of the deaths recorded in this municipality, population, 18,000: Malaria, 1; tuberculosis, 5; pernicious anæmia, 1; diarrhea, 1; stillborn, 1; bronchial pneumonia, 1; enteritis, 1; cerebral hemorrhage, 1; pneumonia, 1; gastric fever, 1. Total, 14.

The following steamships were cleared: May 20, steamship *Bergen*, Norwegian; master, Hendricksen; crew, 24; cargo, cattle; for Havana, Cuba. May 24, steamship *Seneca*, American; master, Smith; crew, 47; cabin passengers, 1; cargo, general and cattle; for New York via Havana, Cuba. May 26, steamship *King Gruffyd*, British; master, Smith; crew, 28; water ballast; for Sagua la Grande, Cuba, and ports north of Hatteras; steamship *Nord*, Norwegian; master, Enger; crew, 22; steerage passengers, 4; cargo, cattle; for Havana, Cuba; steamship *Atlas*, Norwegian; master, Jacobsen; crew, 22; cargo, general and cattle; for New Orleans, La.

Respectfully,

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PORTO RICO.

Report from Ponce.

PONCE, P. R., *May 20, 1901.*

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended May 18, 1901: Three vessels were inspected, 2 of which were held in quarantine to detain nonimmunes, viz, provisional flag steamship *Julia*, from Havana, Cuban, and Dominican ports, and the Spanish *Cataluña*, from Havana, via suspected ports of Central and South America. All transacted their business under supervision and left the same day. Four bills of health were issued.

During the week no new case of smallpox has occurred, 4 recoveries were reported, leaving 3 still under treatment. This epidemic has the tendency to disappear completely.

Respectfully,

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